

YOLO HABITAT CONSERVANCY

January 26, 2026

MINUTES

The Yolo Habitat Conservancy Board met on the 26th day of January, 2026, starting at 5:30 p.m. in regular session in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers in the Erwin W. Meier Administration Building, Woodland, California. Here is a link to the video.

Present: Richard Casavecchia
Linda Deos
Lucas Frerichs
David Moreno
Verna Sulpizio Hull
Mary Vixie Sandy
Mabel Salon

Staff Present: Chris Alford, Interim Executive Director
Phil Pogledich, County Counsel
Julie Dachtler, Clerk
Brandy Hall, Office Support Specialist

Attendees:

5:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call

Roll Call was conducted

3. Approval of the Agenda Order

Minute Order No. 26-01: Approved Agenda Order as submitted.

MOTION BY: Sulpizio Hull / SECONDED BY: Moreno
AYES: Casavecchia, Deos, Moreno, Sulpizio Hull, Vixie Sandy, Frerichs.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

4. Public Comment: This is time reserved for the public to address the Conservancy Board on matters not on the agenda.

There was no public comment.

5. Board Correspondence

There was no Board Correspondence.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minute Order No. 26-02: Approved Consent Agenda. Item Nos.6-8

MOTION BY: Vixie Sandy / SECONDED BY: Moreno
AYES: Casavecchia, Deos, Moreno, Sulpizio Hull, Vixie Sandy, Frerichs.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

6. Approve December 18, 2025 meeting minutes

Approved December 18, 2025 meeting minutes on Consent.

7. Approve the First Amendment to the Agreement with the Yolo County Resource Conservation District to add \$45,000 for additional habitat enhancement and management services

Approved **Agreement No. 26-01** on Consent.

8. Authorize payment of \$2,500 in California Habitat Conservation Planning Coalition 2026 membership dues, adopt the 2026 California Habitat Conservation Planning Coalition State Legislative Platform and applicable aspects of the Federal Legislative Platform, and approve Agreement with Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency to contribute \$5,000 toward advocacy services to represent the California Habitat Conservation Planning Coalition and the Conservancy's 2026 State Legislative Platform

Approved recommended action and **Agreement No. 26-02** on Consent.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. Receive and file the FY24/25 independent auditor's report and presentation from Maze and Associates

Received and filed the FY24/25 independent auditor's report and presentation from Maze and Associates.

10. Elect Chair and Vice-Chair

Minute Order No. 26-03: Elected Board Member Lucas Frerichs as Chair and Board Member David Moreno as Vice-Chair. It was noted that the Management Executive Community shall consist of the current Chair and Vice-Chair, and past Chair, Verna Sulpizio Hull.

MOTION BY: Vixie Sandy / SECONDED BY: Deos
AYES: Casavecchia, Deos, Moreno, Sulpizio Hull, Vixie Sandy, Frerichs.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

11. Hold a public hearing on a proposed policy update and associated fee adjustment related to Yolo HCP/NCCP riparian mitigation responsibilities, approve reverting responsibilities associated with valley foothill riparian mitigation to the Conservancy, and adopt a resolution increasing the per acre valley foothill riparian fee to \$132,462 per acre

Minute Order No. 26-04: Held a public hearing and approved recommended action by **Resolution No. 26-01.**

MOTION BY: Sulpizio Hull / SECONDED BY: Deos
AYES: Casavecchia, Deos, Moreno, Sulpizio Hull, Vixie Sandy, Frerichs.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

12. Authorize the Interim Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Yolo County for acquisition and permanent conservation of the Hawk Creek Property

Minute Order No. 26-05: Approved recommended action by **Agreement No. 26-03.**

MOTION BY: Deos / SECONDED BY: Casavecchia
AYES: Casavecchia, Deos, Moreno, Sulpizio Hull, Vixie Sandy, Frerichs.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

13. Receive and file FY25/26 mid-year fiscal update and work plan review

Received and filed FY25/26 mid-year fiscal update and work plan review.

14. Executive Director's Report

- Staffing Update

Received Executive Director's Report.

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting scheduled for: March 16, 2026